

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0298

Title: Provide emergency stream flow for fisheries

Primary Sponsor: Clark, P

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor signature	Date	David Ewer, Budget Director	Date
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Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY 2006 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2007 Difference</u>
Expenditures:		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Revenue:		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	\$0	\$0

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov. Impact | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached | <input type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 |

Fiscal Analysis

Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. No additional spending authority is needed by FWP to implement this legislation. Existing authority can be used.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. In order to use federal funds from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for water leasing, the department will be required to obtain an appraisal of the value of the water. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service must approve this appraisal. Based on previous efforts, the department has been unsuccessful finding a qualified water appraiser.
2. In order to enter into a water lease during emergency low-flow conditions, the person leasing the water to the department must obtain a change of use permit from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. This generally takes several months.
3. Due to these technical concerns, it is unlikely this mechanism would be used to pay for water leases.